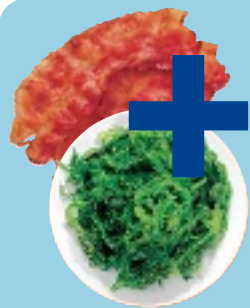


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In 2015, the number of deaths caused by the misadventures of selfie-taking outnumbered fatal shark attacks. The total selfie body count is 12, compared to 8 fatal shark attacks.



The historical home of past prime ministers — 24 Sussex Dr. — may be getting an overdue renovation. In the meantime, Justin Trudeau and his family will be living at Rideau Cottage. SEAN KILPATRICK/THE CANADIAN PRESS



Syrian refugees arrive at the island of Kos, Greece, after crossing from Turkey in August. Many have been approved for entry to Canada, including some to Ottawa. ALEXANDER ZEMLIANICHENKO/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE



Most of Canada cheered on Oct. 19 when Justin Trudeau won the federal election and became Prime Minister. The Liberals won 184 seats to secure a majority government. SEAN KILPATRICK/THE CANADIAN PRESS

## CULTURAL EVOLUTION

**Big things are happening; we record them in this edition**



**Steve Rennie**  
Metro | Ottawa

Welcome to Metro's Time Capsule. Maybe you're wondering what it is you're holding. Allow me to explain.

This past year, it seemed to us, was a year in which we were on the verge of ... something. We couldn't put our finger on exactly what it was, but change was undeniably in the air.

We saw it in our cities, in our

country, and in our world. We saw it on our TVs, laptops, and phones. We saw it in Paris, in Ottawa, and south of the border. We saw it in how we talked to and treated each other.

In most cases, the changes are for the better: Think of what the Syrian refugees will do to enrich our culture and make our cities more interesting places to live. Think of what the recently signed

climate accord could mean. Or, how our city is in the midst of unprecedented transformation.

The light rail transit system — which, after years of delays and false starts, is finally within reach — will change the way people in this city live and work. The most iconic address in Ottawa, 24 Sussex, home to prime ministers past but not present, may get a much-needed renovation

to make it a building of which Canadians can be proud and at which visiting dignitaries can marvel.

Hundreds of Syrian refugees will further improve Ottawa's cultural diversity. And we cannot speak about change without acknowledging the heightened security at many of our public buildings after the October 2014 shootings at the National War

Memorial and on Parliament Hill.

At times like these the desire to look ahead is matched only by the desire to take stock — to preserve for posterity a world and way of life that won't be entirely familiar to the future.

Hence, our Time Capsule. We've collected artifacts that signify some of the momentous changes — also some of the weird and random changes

— that are underway (or imminent) and we've stuffed them into the edition you're holding. On every page you'll find a story about one of them.

It's our duty as journalists to preserve our moment in time, and we hope it will be your pleasure as readers to marvel at a world that has still yet to become what it will become.

Save this newspaper. Stuff it in a bottle and send it out at sea. Bury it in your backyard, mark the spot on a map and open it in five years, 10 years, 30 years. You won't believe what you'll read.



**Change was undeniably in the air this year.**

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# CITY ROLLS OUT WELCOME MAT FOR SYRIAN REFUGEES

## MIGRANTS

**Up to 2,000 expected to begin building new lives**



**Lucy Scholey**  
Metro | Ottawa

In mid December, they began to arrive.

They were the first of hundreds, possibly thousands, who began new lives in the nation's capital.

And if you Ottawa readers are opening this holiday time capsule in a year — and if Mayor Jim Watson's wish comes to pass — there will be 800 to 2,000 Syrian refugees living in the city by then.

Given that we are writing to you, future readers, we are placing a child's snowsuit inside this capsule to mark the many cities and small towns across Canada that are pooling their resources to welcome the new families (and as an ironic way of marking the record-breaking lack of snow in the nation's capital in December).

Like elves in Santa's work-



**A Syrian woman combs her daughter's hair as refugees and migrants wait to pass from the Greek village of Idomeni to Macedonia.** THE ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE

shop, the City of Ottawa is among the cities and small towns bustling about and organizing new homes,

clothing donations (yes, snowsuits included), toys and furniture. In nearby Wakefield, Que., volunteers are even organizing Arabic lessons for its current residents.

Housing remains a challenge here in Ottawa. At this point, Q Residential has offered up 150 units. Whether more private housing corporations will jump in has yet to be seen.

Then there's the need for counselling services, jobs,

dental and health care.

"We just need more from everybody on everything," Louisa Taylor, volunteer director of Refugee 613, said in November. Both she and Watson have said the city will not be dipping into its coveted social housing units for the refugees.

The first plane carrying Syrian refugees to Canada landed nearly three months after a horrifying image of drowned toddler Alan Kurdi went viral. It's what arguably launched the resettlement efforts across

the country.

This holiday season, a video of an Ottawa children's choir singing an ancient Arabic tune also went viral. Many interpret it as a warm welcome to Syrian refugees fleeing the civil war in their country to seek a better life.

Whether that's the case or not, the City of Ottawa is more primed than most communities to welcome our new neighbours.

WITH FILES FROM TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE AND MICHAEL WOODS



## INTO THE CAPSULE

### A child's snowsuit

The civil war in Syria has displaced hundreds of thousands of people, and Ottawans are doing their part to help the refugees build a new life. The city is set to welcome up to 2,000 Syrian refugees, which will change the makeup of Ottawa. Does the city have the social services, physical accommodations — or even the support of the majority of its residents — to help the Syrian refugees feel welcome?



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## INFRASTRUCTURE

# NEXT STATION: TRANSFORMATION

**New light rail system could finally bring us to 21st century**



**Emma Jackson**  
Metro|Ottawa

Every other G8 capital has had a well-established subway system for decades — even Washington DC, which is smaller than us by 250,000 people.

New York City, the quintessential U.S. metropolis, signed its Rapid Transit Act into law in 1894. 1894!

If Canada really is back, as dear PMJT loves to tell us, then Ottawa needs to harness the speed of a bullet train to get on board.

Enter Mayor Jim Watson.

Ottawa's biggest fan has promised us a transit transformation, an awakening in this new, low-carbon century. We are going to have a proper rail network, dammit, just like our G8 brethren. He's won two

elections on it.

Yes, our great city will soon be liberated from gridlock and diesel by a faster, cleaner, state-of-the-art light rail system.

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Not a typo.

Even when Phase 1 of the Confederation Line opens in June 2018, our "tube map" will still be relatively sad, a simple capital "T" running through the densest parts of Ottawa.

Passengers will be able to bypass downtown gridlock or head south toward South Keys. For \$2.1 billion, some might say that's transformation enough.

But by 2023, if all goes well, we'll push this little city that could a little further up the light rail mountain.

Our sad "T" will stretch its welcoming arms to riders in the far east and west and unfurl its spine toward Riverside South, until the whole thing looks a bit like one



**The Transitway has been shutting down in sections as it is converted to rail, causing upheaval in the city's transit network.** HALEY RITCHIE/METRO

of those air-powered dancers you see at car dealerships.

By then, Stage 2 of our transit transformation will have added another 30 kilometres of rail and removed 14,000 cars from rush hour. It will have brought 70 per cent of Ottawa's population within five kilometres of rail, in little more than 10 years.

Transformation, indeed.

Now that the ground is broken, the tunnel Chewrocka'd and the Transitway partially closed, Ottawa residents are

feeling some growing pains.

The busway that shuttles thousands of suburban passengers into the city every day is being converted to rail, detouring hundreds of buses a day and adding minutes — minutes! — to each trip.

Hand-painted signs still shout "No Way!" along Scott Street, where 2,500 buses a day will be rerouted until the trains pull up in 2018.

Fares are going up even as the service declines.

In a choice bit of irony, we widened our highway just to make it through construction.

Can we make it another three years? Can we survive the five after that to build stage two? That remains to be seen, but one thing is clear: Ottawa has proven itself, shockingly, to be a city of dreamers, ready to embrace (and pay for) the biggest infrastructure project the city has ever seen. To deliver us from evil diesel buses and chug, finally, into the 21st century.



## INTO THE CAPSULE

### The Ottawa tube map mug

While Ottawa has not quite yet arrived, we've admitted our failings, printed where we could have been by now on a mug (sold on Etsy.com), and are now walking confidently in the direction of our dreams. And we're pretty sure Ottawa and its light rail network will get the last laugh.



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# Future of PM's home: Either demo or reno

## HERITAGE

### Trudeau and family living nearby, next step uncertain



**Michael Woods**  
Metro | Ottawa

For decades, 24 Sussex Drive has increasingly required extensive repairs. Prime ministers have been loath to fix the residence at taxpayer expense when the vast majority of the public will never enter the building.

The home needs major upgrades in nearly all facets; plumbing, electricity, insulation, air circulation, accessibil-

ity included.

An auditor general's report in 2008 said at least \$10 million would be needed for necessary repairs. With the passage of time and higher construction costs, that figure has surely grown. That report also said the home would need to be vacated for at last 15 months for repairs to be done.

Then-prime minister Stephen Harper decided not to leave, though he and his family would move to the prime minister's other official residence at Harrington Lake, Que. during the summer, during which maintenance would be done.

With Prime Minister Justin Trudeau and his family living at nearby Rideau Cottage until further notice, the future of

24 Sussex is up in the air.

Some think, as an important heritage property, it should be largely preserved. Others think it should be demolished to make way for something new. Still others have called for it to be retrofitted as a symbol of green infrastructure.

Home renovation TV celebrities have offered to help. Architectural groups have weighed in. The home's future has become a matter of some national intrigue.

The NCC has said little so far beyond acknowledging "the overwhelming interest of Canadians across the country" in the home's future, and saying it will consider issues related to security, functionality, environmental sustainability, design excellence and heritage preservation.

After he was elected in October, Trudeau's office said he would make a decision on the future of the home in which he grew up after being fully briefed on its status. Whether he decides to renovate or rebuild it, the move will have ramifications on his successors.



The prime ministers' traditional residence on the banks of the Ottawa River. THE CANADIAN PRESS



## INTO THE CAPSULE

### The swimming pool and sauna

After decades of the home sliding into disrepair, the National Capital Commission faces the question of what to do with 24 Sussex Dr. Installed by Pierre Trudeau, the pool and sauna represent one of the few major upgrades to the home in the last few decades. Could they survive renovations?



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# Court crackdown

## PUBLIC SAFETY

### Security system tighter than in some airports



**Joe Lofaro**  
Metro | Ottawa

As the saying goes, when one door closes another one opens up.

But that clearly wasn't the case when the Ottawa courthouse underwent a major security makeover this past summer.

Two doors closed and the

only one that remained opened is now a segue to an intrusive screening checkpoint that can be worse than some airports.

Most visitors must wait in line for 15 minutes or more, especially during the morning rush, every time they want to see our justice system in action. Or to buy a coffee from the Tim Hortons on the first floor.

Beeping metal detectors, uniformed security guards, and X-ray monitors now greet the public in a building whose three points of entry were whittled down to one.

You have to first surrender your cellphone, pocket change, jewelry, and sometimes even your belt so a security guard can scan it.

Then you have to walk

through the metal detector in the hopes that you haven't forgotten that nickel at the bottom of your other pocket. If you have nail clippers or tweezers in your purse, you'll be asked to hand them over or come back later without them.

Then you get dressed and go on your way.

But is all of this screening necessary, or effective? Is it at odds with the principle of an open court system?

Spend a few minutes in the rush hour queue and you might have your answer.

Shootings at courthouses in Canada are extremely rare — only seven have been reported since 1938, including the one in Brampton last year (none were in the Ottawa area).

While there has not been a single security issue at the Ottawa courthouse, the changes were part of the province's sweeping modernization of courthouses across Ontario.

These renovations in Ottawa — which cost taxpayers approximately \$1 million — were in the



The Ottawa courthouse has had a \$1 million renovation to its security system. METRO FILE

works for years, but were expedited after the tragic shooting death of a Canadian soldier just down the street from the courthouse on Oct. 22, 2014.

But the security upgrades have made visiting the courthouse a chore, if not a deterrent.

If the changes were, in fact, in response to the terror attack in the capital, then at least the argument for a more secure courthouse would have some

weight to it.

But that's not the case, according to the province. Why, then, did we radically change how we control access to this one building and not others?

City hall, for example, is located next to the courthouse, has seen some modest security upgrades since the Ottawa shooting, but still has multiple points of entry and no metal detectors, nor any X-ray machines.

Ottawa defence lawyers have been outspoken about changes to the courthouse and how they fear they will turn people away and erode the openness we once enjoyed. Some visitors have already been turned away for having something in their purse that security guards thought was a threat.

So, the next time you partially undress yourself in front of a security guard, remember that it wasn't always like this.



## INTO THE CAPSULE

### A metal detector

The Ottawa courthouse is not as open as it was before since the province upgraded the building metal detectors and X-ray machines at the front entrance. Beefed-up security has raised concerns that subjecting members of the public to invasive screening runs counter the open court principle.



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DEVELOPMENT

# OPENING UP THE OTTAWA RIVER

**Zibi project to divide people on their vision for landscape**



**Haley Ritchie**  
Metro | Ottawa

Long before it was the seat of power and bureaucracy, Ottawa was a lumber town shaped by a river with three names: the Rivière des Outaouais, the

Kitchissippi and the Ottawa.

The Zibi development could be the city's last chance to embrace its heritage. Symbolically the community's street names will also be trilingual, embracing French, Algonquin and English.

While many residents are used to seeing French signs, seeing words in the Algonquin language could be a first for many — symbolic of Windmill's hopes to lead national reconciliation efforts among private industry.

Unsurprisingly, reconciliation will be a complicated process.

The project has been embraced by the City of Gatineau and the City of Ottawa, but like most major-scale developments, there is no one vision to please everyone. The sheer size of the development, the history of the area and its potential have intensified the normal opposition and excitement.

Windmill has made ambitious promises to make Zibi a "visionary" community. More than a collection of condos, Zibi wants to be a new district of the capital, restoring old industrial buildings and incorporating the cutting edge of sustainable technologies.

The 37-acre development plans to incorporate local businesses and pull back the curtain on the Chaudière Falls, a magnificent natural landmark currently hidden behind industrial ruins and impossible to access on foot.



**Windmill plans to pull back the curtain on the Chaudière Falls, a natural landmark hidden behind industrial ruins and impossible to access on foot.** HALEY RITCHIE/METRO



INTO THE CAPSULE

**A vial of water from the river**

In 2015, Windmill Developments broke ground on Zibi: a massive development set to transform the way the city views the Ottawa River. A forgotten natural wonder, the city's history and the messy process of reconciliation: one project captures the past and future of Ottawa.



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# BUDDING BROMANCE

## POLITICS

### 'Sunny ways' leader brightens U.S. relations



**Melissa Dunne**  
For Metro Canada

When Justin met Barack it was seen as the start of a beautiful bromance.

While former prime minister Stephen Harper and U.S. President Barack Obama always kept things professional, one got the sense their relationship was more a marriage of convenience than a meeting of the souls.

When Obama and newly elected Prime Minister Justin Trudeau held their first news conference in late November one felt like yelling out: "Get a room, already!"

The frosty relations between America and Canada were clearly heating up with Obama, 54, warmly joking that Trudeau would have to start dyeing his famous Brunette mane soon before it started to grey like his own had over the course of his presidency.

In the weeks following the Liberal leader's victory over the Conservative incumbent, much real and virtual ink had been spilled about Trudeau's luxurious locks, his fit physique and beautiful brood. Like Obama early on in his presidency, there was an explosion of stories regarding his DILF-in-chief status. And like Obama, it will be Trudeau's job to get the media and the public to start gushing over his sharp mind instead of his chiselled arms.

He's done it before.

Over his lifetime, Trudeau's many naysayers have often portrayed him as a himbo born with a silver spoon in his mouth. Even glowing Vogue and The

New York Times Magazine profiles printed shortly after his election victory both acknowledged his image for many years was that of the "feckless" son of former prime minister Pierre Trudeau.

But, the 44-year-old has proven to be a fighter many times over the years.

During the long 2015 election campaign, Harper tried to dismiss Trudeau as a silly scion who was "just not ready." But, just as he had done in his boxing match with Patrick Brazeau years before, the son of Pierre Trudeau went in as the underdog and emerged as the winner.

In early 2016, Obama was set to take his relationship with Trudeau to the next level by wining and dining him at a state dinner. For Canada's "sunny ways" leader, however, a possible dark cloud lurked on the horizon — the U.S. election. A year into his leadership, Trudeau will have to try to form a new bond with the new president



Prime Minister Justin Trudeau has had to prove he's a fighter many times over the years, but will he emerge victorious by the end of his first term? TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

of the United States.

As 2015 wound down it seemed the eventual winner was likely to be either life-long politician Hillary Clinton or the controversy-courting Donald Trump.

It's clear Trudeau will have to prove he can withstand the political punches round after round after round. Will he ultimately have his hand held up in the air in victory, or will he be holding his head in his hands in defeat at



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### Photo of Trudeau meeting Obama

On Nov. 19, 2015 — after many years of polite, but distant relations — Canada's new prime minister ushered in what many hope will be an era of warmth between the U.S. and Canada as he met with the president for the first time.

the end of his first term? Will he run for re-election and win again like his late father did? The future is not ours to see, but

if fils is like père, Trudeau 2.0 will certainly continue to give us something worth watching in 2016 and beyond.



OTTAWA-CARLETON  
DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

## The Ottawa-Carleton District School Board wants your input.

Do your children attend any of the following schools?

- Elgin Street Public School
- Centennial Public School
- Hopewell Avenue Public School
- Viscount Alexander Public School

### Elgin Street Public School – Proposed Changes for 2016

Elgin Street Public School is an established elementary school located within the central part of the City. The school offers English and Early French Immersion programming to students from Junior Kindergarten to Grade 6. The school is experiencing significant accommodation pressures as a result of unprecedented increases in its enrolment over the past two years. The District is considering making changes for September 2016 to alleviate overcrowding at Elgin Street Public School.

Public meetings will be held to provide information and present a plan with proposed changes. There will be a brief presentation at the beginning of each meeting followed by an opportunity for members of the public to ask questions. Your input is important to us. Please join us at our public meetings or email your comments to: [commentselginareareview@ocdsb.ca](mailto:commentselginareareview@ocdsb.ca).

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## LIBERALS SEEDING A NEW SYSTEM OF POT SALES

The federal Liberals promised to legalize recreational marijuana during the 2015 election.

In December, after they took power, they promised in the inaugural throne speech to "legalize, regulate and restrict access to marijuana" to keep it out of the hands of children while also denying criminals the financial profits.

The new government plans to remove possession of small amounts of marijuana from the Criminal Code and create new laws to more severely punish those who provide it to minors or drive while under its influence.

There are dozens of clinics or dispensaries springing up in cities across Canada that sell medicinal marijuana — mainly in Ontario, Alberta and British Columbia — and there are referral-only clinics staffed with doctors who assess patients but don't sell pot. They give patients a prescription to take to a licensed marijuana producer.

Prime Minister Justin Trudeau promised to create a task force with representatives from the three levels of government and, with input from experts in public health, substance abuse and policing, to help design a new system of marijuana sales and distribution.

Trudeau stressed the importance of listening to municipal partners, provinces and the medical marijuana industry, as well as drawing on best practices from around the world.

Trudeau also said any tax revenues from legal marijuana should go toward addiction treatment, mental health support and education programs — not general revenues.

"It was never about a money-maker," he said.

Ontario Premier Kathleen Wynne recently said that provincially owned Liquor Control Board of Ontario stores were "very well-suited" to sell marijuana.

Wynne isn't the only one looking for a socially responsible way to retail marijuana. The British Columbia Government and Service Employees' Union and the B.C. Private Liquor Store Association joined forces to call for legal marijuana to be sold through their existing retail system, which includes about 200 private and 200 government-run stores.

BCGEU president Stephanie Smith said the union did not take a position on whether it supports the plan to legalize marijuana, "but we do believe that when this happens, it ought to be sold in the most socially re-

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### A joint

For generations, recreation marijuana use was seen as, if not deviant, then at least criminal. The new Liberal government was elected, in part, on a promise to change that.



spon- way pos- sible, in an age-controlled environment with the strongest track record of checking identification."

Expectations are changing fast in Ontario, which only last week updated its liquor laws to allow the sale of six-packs of beer in selected grocery stores. Minutes after Wynne made the announcement, she was asked why grocers couldn't also sell pot. THE CANADIAN PRESS



# PLAYING BY OLD RULES IS ABSURD

## DISSONANCE BETWEEN DUBLIN AGREEMENT AND SITUATION ON THE GROUND ALMOST UGLY

**Emina Gamulin**  
Metro

While there are many objects that could have spoken to the perilous journey as many as a million people made to seek a better life in Europe in 2015 — or a life, period — it is multinational indentured agreements that best illustrate the obstacles they faced to entering the West.

For this reason we've enclosed all 29 pages of the Dublin Regulation (also known as the Dublin Regulation III, Regulation No. 604/2013; previously the Dublin II Regulation and Dublin Convention) in the time capsule.

Dublin decreed that EU countries that served as entry points for would-be refugees were responsible for assessing their asylum claims. The country where the asylum seeker first applied was responsible for either accepting or rejecting the claim, and the seeker was not allowed to start the process over in another jurisdiction.

Asylum seeking is nothing new, but something felt unprecedented in what we saw in 2015. People from all over risked their lives on journeys in rubber boats across the Mediterranean, predominantly arriving on Greek shores and then travelling by land in record numbers through the Balkans.

In December, the United

Nations High Commission for Refugees (UNHCR) announced 2015 was set to break the all-time record for displaced people.

The response in Europe was disappointing. Some countries built fences (Hungary, Slovenia), others restricted passage to people from just a handful of countries (Serbia, Croatia), and even rich, generous Germany, threatened legal action against countries ignoring their quotas.

Dublin wasn't all bad. The first few pages concerning the Geneva Convention, human rights protections and talk of solidarity were promising, but the obstructive role it played in getting people from point A to point B and unfair onus it put on entry-point countries rendered much this high-minded talk moot.

Dublin III can remind us of the tragic absurdity of playing by rules that were written for yesterday's world. The dissonance between this carefully crafted agreement and the situation on the ground is almost ugly.

The EU looked at a million asylum claims in 2015 and expected to see triple that over the next year. What's most needed are things that are simple to understand: Brains, heart, guts. I trust that any people who manage to find this capsule in 2045 figured that out.



**An Iraqi man disembarks from a dinghy after his trip with other migrants from the Turkish coast to the Greek island of Lesbos.** European Union leaders have set a six-month deadline for deciding whether to push ahead with plans for a border guard agency that could deploy to member states unable or unwilling to manage their borders as thousands of migrants continue to arrive in Europe daily.

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#### Dublin III Wikipedia page

2015 saw a record number of displaced people migrating to Europe. The EU agreement known as Dublin III is a relic that can serve as a reminder of what happens when we're forced to help others with tools that don't work.



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# A BREATH OF FRESH HEIR

## FACEBOOK

### Famous duo quash common perceptions of Millennials

**Melissa Dunne**  
For Metro Canada

In 2015, Paris Hilton was still contributing little to the world, unless you count hosting DJ gigs in Ibiza and Vegas as giving back, that is.

The blonde heiress to the Hilton Hotel fortune was perhaps best known for parlaying her sex tape into fleeting reality-show fame in the early '00s.

History is littered with heirs and heiresses, like the 34-year-old Hilton, who are silly dilettantes that do nothing to make the world a better place. Her contemporaries, Mark Zuckerberg, 31, and his wife Dr. Priscilla Chan, 30, clearly do not want their baby daughter Max turning into Generation Z's Paris Hilton. In December, the influential couple became the latest one-per-centers to pledge to give away the majority of their vast fortune.

In typical Millennial fashion at the time, Zuckerberg and Chan posted a cute photo of them gazing at their first-born child on the popular social networking website, Facebook. But, while many millennials were still paying off their stu-

dent loans and wondering how they would ever afford to buy a house, the founder of Facebook and his pediatrician wife made a pledge few from their generation could match. In an open letter they let little Max and the world know they were going to give away 99 per cent of their Facebook shares (about \$45 billion US) during their lifetimes.

According to a Forbes article, it's often said of wealthy American business families: "The first generation makes it, the second generation spends it, and the third generation blows it."

If Chan and Zuckerberg really do give away most of the money they've made, as promised, there will still be a fair amount of dough for Max (and any future heirs) to spend/blow. Still, such a young and powerful couple pledging their fortune not to their heirs, but to society, so early in their lives is a significant sea change.

Back in 2010 billionaire businessmen Warren Buffett and Bill Gates officially started the Giving Pledge in a bid to get wealthy people and their families to give away at



**Max Chan Zuckerberg** is held by her parents, Mark Zuckerberg and Priscilla Chan Zuckerberg.

MARK ZUCKERBERG/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

least 50 per cent of their wealth to philanthropic or charitable causes during their lifetimes, or in their wills.

At that time many raised their eyebrows and were openly skeptical that one-per-centers would willingly give away their money to help the 99 per cent. The naysayers were wrong.

More than 100 of the world's wealthiest people and families have officially made the Giving Pledge.

Zuckerberg will hopefully influence more rich Millennial parents to pause before blindly passing down wealth to those that don't necessarily need or deserve it.



## INTO THE CAPSULE

### An old-timey cab

Despite the angry protestations of cab drivers, it's increasingly clear the taxi industry isn't going to beat Uber.

## UBER TAKING OFF

While people looking for cheap transportation are embracing the Uber app, the taxi industry is not.

As the battle is waged on the streets and in council meeting rooms, it's increasingly clear the sharing economy is winning. Taxi companies are even beginning to redesign their apps.

There may come a time when we don't look to conventional businesses to provide us with our services. Maybe in a few years we'll have several app-based transportation companies.

SARAH KESTER/FOR METRO



## INTO THE CAPSULE

### Printout of Zuckerberg's letter

Wealthy parents tend to hoard their riches to pass down to their children. Not Mark Zuckerberg. In celebration of their first child, Max, the co-founder of Facebook and his wife committed to give away 99 per cent of Facebook shares to charitable purposes.



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## WAIT. SHOULD THIS NEWSPAPER ITSELF BE IN A TIME CAPSULE?

With so much free information available online, the survival of print media is in doubt. We tapped two veteran newsmen for their views on the future of news.

**“I think newspaper readership is strongest among people who are soon going to be dead.”**



**John Gordon Miller**

*Author, Yesterday's News: Why Canada's Daily Newspapers are Failing Us*

Newspapers are built on a business model that's no longer sustainable. It's not that some people don't prefer newspapers. People who work for them think they're irreplaceable. It's that they can't afford to print and distribute them. Newspapers have failed in Canada and the U.S., and I

expect that to continue and accelerate. I think there will always be a New York Times print newspaper. But for a Canadian newspaper in any big city, I'd say expecting it to survive 25 years would be optimistic.

There are two problems: Declining readership and declining advertising. When the Internet came along, newspapers really underestimated it. If they all got together, they could have become the biggest classified advertiser on the Internet. But they let it go, and the classifieds that used to be 20 or 30 pages are now

one or two. It's all online.

I think newspaper readership is strongest among people who are soon going to be dead. In the next 20 or 25 years, readership is going into the ground. Literally.

Where young people go for their information has been revolutionized by the Internet. They're not going to suddenly develop a newspaper habit. I don't think the newspapers that have migrated to the web are in tune enough with younger readers. So the future of news is really in specialized websites like iPolitics. Among younger people it's

“Why should I trust some old white guy to filter my news for me?”

Something very important will be lost. You have to tell the web what you're looking for. But when you're reading the paper, you can turn the page and see something you never thought of being interested in.

We've already seen steps towards newspapers only existing online or printing once a week — those are no longer daily newspapers.

If newspapers continue, they will be free ones like Metro. People always gravitate to something that's free.



**Jim Poling**



*Managing Editor, the Hamilton Spectator*

Print news is more responsible, easily accessible and tactile. Opening a newspaper is like smelling fresh air. You turn the page and all your senses come alive. It's a new fount of knowledge with every page turned.

Print is part of us. If all somebody did was read one newspaper front to back every day, they'd be

the smartest person in the room.

A newspaper has no “Sorry, this browser's out of date,” and no message saying “Sorry, this plug-in's not working.” I know when I turn a page, I get a guaranteed, instant surprise.

The majority of the information people want to read is produced in newsrooms. The good content you read on the Internet is stolen and ripped off and repurposed by other entities. I tell young journalists, don't worry about the platform. Chase the content. Produce good information, and the rest will

take care of itself.

Print news has a foreseeable shelf life. Is it declining? Perhaps parts of it are. What's really going on is an advertising change. If the advertising model was as robust as it was 20 years ago, we wouldn't be having this discussion.

I hope people want to pay for news. We provide an incredible and important service in addition to entertainment and comfort and knowledge.

The problem is that we've raised a generation of people who have been told they don't have to pay

for their media in any form. Our sin, as newspapers, was coming late to that party. The web came along and we threw all our content on it. It was like giving everybody free beer. And after three free beers we said, “Hey, now you've got to pay for your beer.” I don't think so.

Many people (in the news business) are struggling. There's no doubt we're going through some structural change. But people will get to a point where they do see value in what the news industry produces. And at least some people will pay for that.

## ROSEMARY WESTWOOD

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## Into the vault goes the offhand, off-colour comment

Goodbye to the offhand comment, the minor infraction and the ill-conceived joke. We're witnessing the end of the small and inconsequential act.

Consider the fake indigenous headdress beloved by white Halloweeners. In it goes to Metro's time capsule, because you can't get away with it — or anything — anymore.

In our hyper-monitored, hyper-public, hyper-politically correct and hyper-critical world, anything you say or do could potentially go viral. Low-level racism is highlighted, and condemned in a way previously reserved for more overt discrimination. If you dare express a less than perfectly progressive (in the eyes of God knows who) opinion, your words could screw you.

Halloween is the perfect example, and nowhere better made this year than at Yale. Students railed against a teacher who tried to advocate for nuance in costume condemnation, instead of top-down rules for what to wear. The lecturer only had to write one email, and watch the New Yorker, the Atlantic, and the New York Times dissect her words, and then, later, report on her resignation.

The controversy became, as many now do, wrapped up in the idea of safe spaces, a new tool being used to silence some voices in the service of the new acceptable norms.

Small transgressions are in-

creasingly public. Post a photo on Facebook, or have a friend post a photo on Facebook, and who knows where it might end up. That image of you posing disrespectfully at a national memorial gets uploaded and the next thing you know, your moment of silliness is being re-counted as a prime example of how online rage can ruin your life in a book called *So You've Been Publicly Shamed*.

Drunken antics during a live TV broadcast (à la FHRITP guys), could echo through social media and cost your job, reputation or self-respect.

On one hand, it's a very good thing to stop reducing whole cultures to imitations of Pocahontas. The small ripples of insensitivity rest on the surface of a much deeper sea of exploitation, inequality and racism we have yet to solve.

But mistakes of the insensitive or racist variety are inevitably made by otherwise decent people — and the constant policing of opinions does not mean unsavoury ones disappear. They only go into hiding, until they find a more acceptable avenue of expression. Like, say, a presidential candidate. Or a migration crisis that can easily be twisted to buoy xenophobia.

Either way, I don't think we can win a fight against the rise of perpetually threatening consequences to everything you say or do. We must now live carefully, and let live.

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## When it came to transgender rights, 2015 was a game-changer

**Devon Scoble**  
For Metro Canada

Imagine a world divided by strict gender codes, where men and women are born into their socially mandated roles and the binary is policed by gendered pronouns — ‘he’ and ‘she’ for some instead of ‘they’ for all. Imagine a world where sex-specific washrooms are the norm, where trans individuals face harassment just for being themselves.

In the future, this will sound ridiculous, but in 2015, it’s reality.

Change will come, perhaps sporadically. This year The New York Times started using the gender-neutral honorific Mx. for individuals who neither identify as male or female, but the



Eddie Redmayne was nominated for a 2016 Golden Globe for his role in *The Danish Girl*. HANDOUT

move has been largely ignored outside LGBTQ and copyediting circles.

In 2015, The Washington Post also officially accepted ‘they’ as a singular pronoun.

But some cultural shifts happen faster than we can describe them, and while debates over honorifics and pronouns have failed to capture

public interest, transgender issues were front and centre this year when Bruce Jenner became her true self: Caitlyn, a beautiful, media-savvy woman.

By no means the first trans spokesperson, Jenner was the most prominent and her transition sparked an important social conversation.

Trans stories like Jenner’s received unprecedented media coverage in 2015. Actor Jeffrey Tambor won a Golden Globe for portraying a trans woman on the television show *Transparent*, and as the year closed, Eddie Redmayne was nominated for a 2016 Golden Globe for his role in *The Danish Girl*.

In the film, Redmayne played Lili Elbe, one of the first people to undergo sex reassignment surgery. And Laverne Cox, who played transgender character Sophia Burset on

the prison drama *Orange Is the New Black*, won a Daytime Emmy for her documentary *Laverne Cox Presents: The T Word*.

These awards and nominations helped promote trans stories, but tellingly, only one of the three actors — Cox — was actually transgender.

Despite the positive trans coverage, the real world wasn’t always easy for trans individuals.

In February 2015, Theron Meyer, a 20-year-old Simon Fraser University student who identified as trans feminine, told Metro of the humiliations she faced having to choose between the men’s and women’s washroom.

“They look at me, they exit the washroom and then look at me again to make sure what my gender is,” said Meyer. “That’s very ostracizing. I think a lot of people don’t experience that, and don’t understand the degree to which that is harmful to my livelihood and to other trans people’s livelihood.”



### INTO THE CAPSULE

#### Gender neutral bathroom sign

Transgender rights were in the spotlight in 2015; from TV shows and movies like *Transparent*, *Orange Is the New Black* and *The Danish Girl*, to Caitlyn Jenner’s sit-down interview with Diane Sawyer and Aydian Dowling almost winning Men’s Health 2015’s Ultimate Guy Search. But for all the glitz, it was a simple sign — seen in everyday life — that symbolized the change most of all.



### ALTERNATE SUBMISSIONS

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## TRANSGENDER TRAILBLAZERS OF 2015

#### Harriette Cunningham

Cunningham’s birth certificate read male, but Cunningham never doubted it was wrong. In 2015, the 12-year-old from Comox Valley, B.C. was fighting to have gender designations removed from official documents in British Columbia.

#### Aydian Dowling

Dowling didn’t win the Men’s Health 2015 “Ultimate Guy Search,” but the trans activist, model and bodybuilder did win the magazine’s readers’ poll, raising trans awareness — and pulses — around the world.

#### Caitlyn Jenner

Criticized for her wealth, privilege and surprisingly traditional politics, Jenner was still instrumental in bringing transgender issues to a larger audience. In 2015, Metro columnist Emma Teitel called her “a walking, collagen-injected catch-22... damned for speaking out and damned for keeping quiet; damned for being an inferior activist and damned for winning awards based on her activism.”

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# THE LAST DAYS OF LIVING LARGE

## LIVING

## Detached homes face extinction

**Devon Scoble**  
For Metro Canada

Dec 26, 2015, 8 p.m.: The Lees, a typical Canadian family, are relaxing in their living room.

Here's mom, Jennifer, aged 46, comfy in yoga pants and a loose cardigan, reading a magazine made with slick sheets of glossy paper. There's dad, Christopher, 45 years old, beard shot with grey, belly gently straining the buttons of his soft plaid shirt.

He grips a plastic cylinder covered with buttons; every so often his thumb jabs one, changing the images on the flatscreen across the room.

Emily, their 13-year-old daughter sits on an ottoman, leggings tucked beneath her, manicured fingers tapping her smartphone. Occasionally she directs the phone's camera towards her face, pushes her lips out like a duck's beak and angles her chin for a leaner profile.

Her efforts to capture the perfect selfie are continually threatened by her younger brother, Ethan, 10, who will sacrifice points on his iPad game if it means annoying his sister with a choice photobomb.

It's a holiday, and this is family time. Swaths of empty space stretch between each Lee in this 300-square-foot room designed for the sole purpose of



WORDS FOR  
THE FUTURE

"Theirs will be the last generation to inhabit such vast living spaces."

This rendering shows the type of micro suites Reliance Properties is proposing for a project in Vancouver. RELIANCE PROPERTIES HANDOUT/THE CANADIAN PRESS

media consumption, but they are comfortable.

At this moment, they have no idea theirs will be the last generation to inhabit such vast

living spaces, and little sense of the consequences. They understand the financial costs, of course.

Rising real estate prices are a

hot topic in 2015, and Jen and Chris worry their children will never afford homes of their own. Occupy, COP21, KonMari, Precarity Protests: these things are happening around them, or about to happen. The portrait of their era is taking shape, but the paint's still wet and it's hard to see the whole picture.

They are both right and wrong about the kids. Emily and Ethan won't buy houses like the one they grew up in, but they will have homes, albeit much smaller ones. Early models are already popping up: they call them tiny homes, micro-condos and laneway houses.

Critics worry their construction will force the needy into cramped and dangerous domi-

ciles; early adopters praise their efficient and environmentally responsible design.

In 2015, they are pet projects for environmentalists, urban design enthusiasts and off-the-grid types. The social forces that will make them necessary are still developing; the advances that will make them truly comfortable await invention.

For now, 300 square feet of living room feels reasonable, and the Lees are managing just fine. Jennifer's magazine brims with tips on achieving work-life balance, an obsession of the time.

One article suggests transparent storage bins for excess goods; another describes the supplies she'll need to stock a

personal yoga room.

In the corner, a plastic Christmas tree sparkles with LED lights (Chris still can't get over how cool they are compared to the hot electric bulbs of his youth). At its base a pile of freshly opened presents awaits its fate. Jen sets the magazine down, picks up her phone, and begins tapping out four related lists: Keep, Sell, Return and Donate.

Over the ensuing days, weeks and years, the Lees will spend countless hours buying, returning, cleaning, organizing and re-organizing their things; despite the enormity of their home, they will each, at some point, complain that it is too small.

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### INTO THE CAPSULE

#### A single-family, detached home

In 2015, Metro published dozens of stories on a growing trend: shrinking homes. Micro condos, laneway houses and tiny homes were not the norm in 2015 — an October story estimated only one per cent of new homes measured less than 1,000 square feet. But rising real estate costs, urban land shortages (particularly in Vancouver) and a push towards sustainable building practices added interest and urgency to these stories as Canadians began seriously considering a downsized future.



# THE LAST NAKED PLAYBOY ISSUE

## PAPER PORN

**Readers really will buy mag for articles now**

**Brian Gasperek**  
For Metro Canada



The fleshy, vixen-graced cover of the Jan/Feb 2016 edition of Playboy is the very last issue of the magazine to ever feature a naked woman in its pages. And that last naked woman happens to be the most popular naked woman in the history of printed pornography. It may be mind-boggling to

think we lived in an age where our carnal urge to look at sex and nudity couldn't be satisfied by the click of a mouse or a tap of a tablet at any time during the day.

Prior to the endless assortment of free porn online, one of the only ways that the consumers of yesteryears could get their hands on pornography was to buy it in magazine form at convenience stores or through snail-mail subscriptions. How weird is it that porn once cost money and you had to exert some effort to get it?

The godfather of porno mags was Playboy. Dating back to 1953, Playboy was the first publication of its kind to release a monthly magazine filled with

naked women, sandwiched between a variety of articles that men would swear up and down was their reason for buying it.

Up until the end of this year, Playboy was the marquee porno mag to satisfy all skin-gawking urges. It maintained a level of class and quality (for porn) over its copycat competition, like Penthouse. At its peak point of success, Playboy had 5.6 million monthly readers... but free internet porn killed its reign.

The high-speed revolution is responsible for bringing us the wealth of information — and instantly accessible porno — that we're familiar with today. Streaming sites and instant downloads have squashed the need for anybody to ever spend money on a magazine full of naked women again.

Why would we?

This fall, Playboy waved its white flag and declared that it was officially out of the nudie game. It announced that starting in 2016, the magazine would focus on quality writ-



Marilyn Monroe on the December 1953 debut issue of the gentleman's magazine. HANDOUT

ten content to win over new readers. But not before this one last historic naked issue.

For its final cover girl, Playboy paid tribute to its most iconic nude model of all time, Canadian actress Pamela Anderson.

Anderson helped make the magazine a gargantuan success in four different decades, allowing it to be the official outlet to share her once highly desired body with the world.

She appeared naked in Playboy a record-setting 15 times, 14 of which she also graced the cover. But those days are now gone forever.

We thought it was important to share this naked artifact in our time capsule because it not only represents how 2015 marked the end of Playboy's reign as the godfather of porn, it also witnessed the demise of an archaic medium in the skin industry.

So long porno-Playboy!

## WORDS FOR THE FUTURE

**This fall, Playboy declared that it was officially out of the nudie game.**



## INTO THE CAPSULE

### Jan/Feb 2016 Playboy Magazine

The magazine that helped usher in the sexual revolution in the 1950s and '60s by bringing nudity into living rooms, announced in 2015 that it will no longer run photos of completely naked women. Released on Dec. 1, 2015, this final edition featured Canadian actress Pamela Anderson.



## STAR WARS

# BLOCKBUSTER BREAKS RECORDS AND THE RULES

The much anticipated seventh installment of the star wars trilogy blasted its way into theatres in December 2015, setting box office records in Canada and around the world.

Walt Disney Studios Motion Pictures Canada said the newest movie in the epic space drama reached \$18.6 million in ticket during its opening weekend.

Studio estimates on Dec. 20, 2015, suggested the film brought in a galactic \$238 million over the weekend, making it the biggest North American debut of all time, and destroy the previous opening record set by Jurassic World, which drew \$208.8 million in the summer of 2015.

What's more, some were suggesting the film, directed by J.J. Abram, would usher a change in the way blockbuster movies are cast in Hollywood, because of Star Wars female lead and the diversity of its cast.

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With a female lead and diverse cast, The Force Awakens sets new rules for smash hits. HANDOUT



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## AFTER YEARS OF FUTILITY

# BLUE JAYS BRING IT HOME

### BASEBALL

## Team boasts major-league best 891 runs

**Vincent Man**  
Metro | Toronto

The big, ugly monkey that had made its home on the back of the Toronto Blue Jays for the last 22 years has vanished.

And the team's punishing bats can be thanked for that.

Well aware that it had the dubious distinction of the team with the longest absence from the playoffs, the franchise desperately searched for a way in for the first time since 1993.

In reality, the Blue Jays' magical 2015 season began the previous November. First, general manager Alex Anthopoulos paid above market value to sign catcher Russell Martin. He followed that up by dealing fan favourite Brett Lawrie and acquiring all-star third baseman Josh Donaldson from the Oakland Athletics – a swap that signalled he had his

eyes squarely on the post-season.

Anthopoulos was not done there, however. With the team not quite over the hump, the GM orchestrated a number of game-changing trades in July. In the days leading up to the trade deadline, the team acquired slugging shortstop Troy Tulowitzki, veteran reliever LaTroy Hawkins, speedy outfield Ben Revere, setup man Mark Lowe and, the pièce de résistance, former Cy Young award-winner David Price.

The Blue Jays cleared their farm system of their prized pitching prospects but they also pieced together an all-star cast.

Sensing the shift from playing for the future to playing for today, fans began to support the Jays in full force. Rogers Centre, which had seemingly been only half full since the team's glory years, instantly boasted sold-out crowds. And paying customers were not disappointed.

The Jays, who were hovering around the .500 mark at the time of the blockbuster, quickly climbed the standings with opposing pitching staffs left licking their wounds. The batting lineup anchored by Donaldson, Jose Bautista and Edwin Encarnacion finished the season with a major-league best 891 runs.



Jays fever took a hold of fans as the team advanced to the playoffs for the first time since 1993. STEVE RUSSELL/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Toronto's pitching also held its own. Price went 9-1, while starter Marco Estrada (13-8, 3.13 ERA) and 20-year-old closer Roberto Osuna (20 saves) emerged as key arms.

The Jays won the AL East with a 93-69 record and defeated the Texas Rangers in the ALDS – but not before an epic comeback. They lost the first two games

in the series, and then forced a deciding fifth game after a pair of their own wins.

The emotionally-charged Game 5 saw the Jays trail 3-2 in the seventh inning when Bautista belted a three-run home run, followed by a bat flip of the tape-measure variety. They won the game 6-3.

The Blue Jays ran out of magic in the ALCS when they were beaten in six games by the Kansas City Royals, the eventual World Series champs.

It could be argued the Jays are in position to repeat their win-

ning ways in 2016 with many key players expected to return. At the very least, they will have a large following – both new and old.

With everyone invested in

this team having experienced playoff baseball, failure is no longer an option and winning a championship is surely the next step in the master plan.

### + OFF-SEASON MOVES

- Mark Shapiro was hired to replace the retiring Paul Beeston as the team's president and CEO.
- Soon after, Anthopoulos declined a contract offer to stay on as GM. The Jays

- eventually hired Ross Atkins.
- The Boston Red Sox signed David Price to a seven-year, \$217-million deal after Toronto failed to make a contract offer.



### INTO THE CAPSULE

#### Jose Bautista's bat

After the Jays slugging right-fielder hit his instantly iconic home run in Game 5 of the 2015 ALDS, he tossed his bat with a mixture of fury and pure joy. The "bat flip" was the moment that underscored 2015, the year the Jays began to act like winners.



### PAN AM GAMES

## CANADA PROVES WORTHY STAGE

It's hard to believe now, but before the cauldron was lit there was anxiety surrounding the Pan Am Games.

There were traffic and transit concerns. The price tag seemed extraneous for what many considered a B-level event. Whispers of low ticket sales and hotel reservations hinted at financial doom and gloom.

In the years leading, the Pan Am-Parapan Am Games were on the periphery of public awareness. The brand wasn't widely loved or even well-known in Can-

ada; top athletes from around the Americas mostly sat out.

But even though they didn't capture the imagination of a country or arguably even a city, it's hard to dump on the Games.

Getting tens of thousands of volunteers — and Kanye! — to show up, avoiding total chaos and keeping Toronto secure while hosting tens of thousands should be considered a success.

Plus, Canada achieved its goal of finishing second in the medal standings, nabbing 217. Only the U.S. won more with 265.

At the Parapans our 168 podium appearances were second only to Brazil's 257. Many of us were introduced to rising stars like sprinter Andre De Grasse, gymnast Ellie Black and point guard Jamal Murray.

In the afterglow, for a few weeks at least, Toronto thought that maybe, just maybe, it could host the Big One.

But cooler heads prevailed and Toronto's 2024 Olympic bid was taken off the table. And of course there are still reasons to gripe.

The Pan/Parapan Ams only

made a big \$1.75 billion investment. Fifty-seven organizing officials sharing a \$5.7-million bonus just for staying under budget still chafes.

But in coming years, the sporting impact will come back into focus. Pan Am standouts will win medals at the 2016 Olympics in



### INTO THE CAPSULE

#### Andre DeGrasse's gold medal

Canadian athletes, like the winner of the 100-metre dash, served notice that a new generation of medal contenders are on the horizon just in time for Rio. But, despite the perceived success of the Pan Am Games, Toronto put aside its Olympic hosting dreams.

Rio. If Canada improves on the 18 medals it won at the 2012 Olympics, some revisionists will look back at TO2015 more fondly.

So the Pan/Parapan Am Games' real legacy will rest in

the athletes of the near and farther future, and Toronto showed that it is capable of hosting THE Games. But just because you can doesn't necessarily mean you should. LAURIE WILSON/METRO



## RECIPE Leftover Turkey Pot Pies



PHOTO: MAYA VISNYEI

**Ceri Marsh & Laura Keogh**  
For Metro Canada

Use up your leftover turkey and make an easy dinner with a little store-bought puff pastry.

**Ready in**

Prep time: 60 minutes

**Serves 6****Ingredients**

- 4 Tbsp butter
- 1 1/2 lbs cremini mushrooms, sliced
- 2 stalks celery, sliced
- 2 cups leftover turkey, cubed
- 1 cup frozen peas
- 1 onion, diced
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 1 Tbsp fresh thyme
- 1/4 cup flour
- 1 cup low sodium vegetable broth
- 1/2 cup light cream
- Salt and pepper to taste
- 1 package frozen puff pastry (397 grams)
- 1 egg

**Directions**

1. Preheat the oven to 400 F.

2. In a large pot or Dutch oven, melt butter over medium heat. Add onion, garlic, mushrooms, celery, thyme and pepper and cook 12 to 15 minutes until vegetables soften. Add cooked turkey and stir.

3. Sprinkle flour over and stir. Let cook for a minute or two to get rid of the raw flour taste. Stir in the stock, cream and frozen peas. Simmer for a couple minutes. Taste to check seasoning.

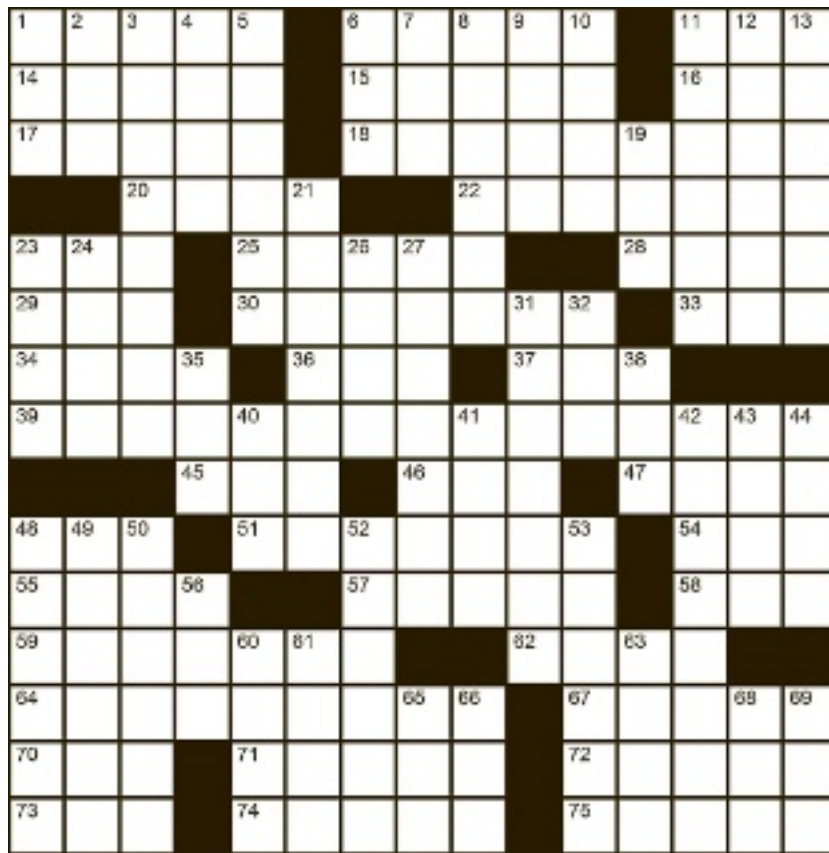
4. On a lightly floured countertop, roll out your puff pastry until it is 1/4-inch thick. Cut into squares that will cover your ramekins and flop over the edges a bit.

5. Ladle vegetable mixture into individual ramekins. Place a little pastry lid over each. Whisk an egg with just a bit of water in a small bowl. Brush the top of each pie with the egg wash. Take a knife and score slits into the pastry tops. Place the ramekins on a cookie sheet and bake for 25 to 30 minutes until the crusts are golden. Allow to rest and cool for at least 15 minutes before serving. They will be hot, hot, hot.

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## CROSSWORD Canada Across and Down

BY KELLY ANN BUCHANAN

**ACROSS**

1. "Deck the Halls":  
"\_\_\_ the ancient Yule  
tide carol..."

6. \_\_\_ charge (Held  
the helm)

11. "\_\_\_ Beginning  
to Look a Lot Like  
Christmas"

14. Hawk's habita-  
tion, variantly

15. Composed

16. Edinburgh

'uh-uh'

17. Was inclined,  
like Pisa

18. Christmas  
dessert

20. Exam

22. Exclaimed "Oh,  
fiddlesticks!"

23. Couple

25. Purpose

28. Better half

29. "Happy Xmas  
(\_\_\_ Is Over)"

30. Temples of tiers

33. Said 'hello'  
like Rocky

34. Solo song

36. Semi

37. Eggs come in  
one [abbr.]

39. Extra little Christ-  
mas gift: 2 wds.

45. Suffix with  
'Velvet'

46. 'L' of L.A.

47. Ms. Remini

48. Not her

51. Garden struc-  
tures for shade

54. Ms. Gabor, when  
doubled

55. Not worth \_\_\_  
(Without value)

57. Put forth

58. Rock gr.,  
with Led

59. Most nervous

62. Cab

64. "O Little Town  
of \_\_\_"

67. Decrease

70. Goose: French

71. Turn while  
driving

72. Banish

73. Cadillac's let-  
tered sedan

74. Noblemen

75. Tenet

**DOWN**

1. Puny phone

2. Particular loaf

3. 1734: "Christmas

\_\_\_" by Johann Se-  
bastian Bach

4. Queue

5. Abates, per-  
haps as a Winter  
storm: 2 wds.

6. Panda logo org.

7. ETA part, briefly

8. \_\_\_ up, as cars

9. "How sweet \_\_\_!"

- Jackie Gleason

10. Amsterdam's lo-  
cale, briefly

11. Sort of: 3 wds.

12. Bring along:

2 wds.

13. Ranked, as top  
tennis players

19. Picture-tak-  
er, briefly

21. Russian emp-  
ress

23. "\_\_\_ the night be-  
fore Christmas..."

24. Tip to 'hog'  
(Wild swine)

26. Opposin'

27. Skier's eyes  
protection

31. Partakes in cha-  
rades: 2 wds.

32. After-R trio

35. Champion

38. Baltimore  
Ravens org.

40. Beer barrel

41. Boo-hoos

42. Charles Dick-  
ens: A Christmas  
Carol character

43. Simplicity

44. Queen's 'Bo-  
hemian', e.g.

48. Storage for a  
derby or fedora

49. Santa's sleigh spot-  
ter's shout!: 3 wds.

50. Del \_\_\_ (Belonging  
to a famous canned  
fruit brand)

52. Plectrum-played  
instrument

53. Closed, as the  
Christmas card  
envelope

56. Informally seat  
theatre-goers

60. Additional

61. \_\_\_ good ex-  
ample

63. Hugs and kisses on  
a greeting card

65. Moray \_\_\_

66. Santa's wife,  
\_\_\_ Claus

68. Tree type

69. Actor Stephen

## ★ IT'S ALL IN THE STARS by Sally Brompton

♈ **Aries** March 21 - April 20

You don't have to do anything special or go anywhere new to get what you need — those things will find you if you stay put. Let others run around and tire themselves while you relax.

♉ **Taurus** April 21 - May 21

Have the courage to follow your dreams. If you reach for the sky you will achieve something truly amazing. It's time to get over your self-doubt and shine like a star again.

♊ **Gemini** May 22 - June 21

Things will get even better when Mercury, your ruler, changes signs towards the end of the week. Social activities and travel plans are under excellent stars at the moment, so get out and about and have fun.

♋ **Cancer** June 22 - July 23

Others say you're aiming too high but you're determined to prove them wrong. There is nothing you like more than a challenge but don't get so competitive that you start treating friends as rivals.

♌ **Leo** July 24 - Aug. 23

Everything you do affects what happens in the future. Also, as you think today so you will be tomorrow, and how you act tomorrow will build your future prosperity.

♍ **Virgo** Aug. 24 - Sept. 23

Before you go telling everyone what they should be doing maybe you should wait a bit. Towards the end of the week you may see the situation in a very different light.

♎ **Libra** Sept. 24 - Oct. 23

If you are the kind of Libra who enjoys organizing social events and getting involved in causes you'll enjoy yourself today. Even if you're not that kind of Libra, aim to be one.

♏ **Scorpio** Oct. 24 - Nov. 22

You'll go out of your way to help people in need. Are you trying to make up for things you should have done earlier in the year? It doesn't really matter. Good works are valuable no matter the motivation.

♐ **Sagittarius** Nov. 23 - Dec. 21

You need to get serious about money and what happens next will force you to save. But you also need to find new sources of income, so keep your eyes and ears open.

♑ **Capricorn** Dec. 22 - Jan. 20

Make an effort to get your message across over the next few days, because once Mercury, planet of communication, leaves your birth sign next weekend that won't be so easy.

♒ **Aquarius** Jan. 21 - Feb. 19

Allow your imagination to roam and don't reject ideas because they seem far-fetched. You have the power to make things happen but they won't just happen as if by magic. Visualize your goals then act decisively.

♓ **Pisces** Feb. 20 - March 20

Others may say you're acting irrationally but so what? Most likely they are simply jealous because they are stuck in the past and don't share your ability to look ahead.

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**Ontario Lottery and Gaming Corporation  
profit last year:**

**\$2 BILLION**

**Wage increase for workers at the OLG  
Rideau Carleton Raceway Slots  
since 2009:**

**\$0**

On December 16, the OLG locked out 124 of its workers for refusing to accept a contract that freezes wages for two more years and removes existing pension language from the current collective agreement. The wages that have been frozen since 2009 means that workers at the Rideau Carleton Raceway Slots now earn over **8% less** than workers at some OLG facilities. The OLG now claims that it is ready to come back to the bargaining table, but what it doesn't say is that it's still insisting on the same wage freeze and pension changes, which the union membership rejected by a 96% vote.

**This holiday season, let's tell OLG to**

**#PLAYFAIR**

**and give its workers a raise!**







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